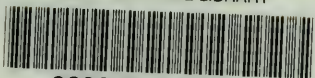


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I shall remember  
your gentility -  
Lance Paulos



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SHEFFIELD HIGH SCHOOL  
SHEFFIELD, MASS.

# *Editorial*

Class of 1954, we wish you well. As your teachers, friends, and counselors, we-along with your family and your community-earnestly hope that you are adequately prepared to go forth in life as individuals deepened in thought and understanding.

This age is often called an "Age of Belonging." Many groups and organizations lay their claims upon us and we in turn derive benefits from them.

One of these organizations, your school, has played a major role in your development. Most of you, graduating at the age of eighteen, have spent two-thirds of your life in school. Some will spend even more years in advanced study.

What benefits have you received?

Obviously, you have amassed a large body of facts. Your understanding and appreciation of many things has been deepened in the interplay of ideas--the give and take that goes on in your classrooms. You have also developed some awareness of your present and future role in a democratic society placed in a world of conflicting ideals and forces. All these things are marks of an educated person but are not the final criterion.

The truly educated person does not let his or her education stop the minute they set their foot outside the door of formal schooling. True education goes on in the inquiring mind, the enthusiastic learner who approaches every experience with a sensitive imagination receptive to the movement of life around him. If you can continue to stand in awe of life you will never grow old in spirit.

Above all, be thinking individuals. In a tragic sense this age is bankrupt when it comes to thought. Men no longer trust their own convictions but must bolster them with a thousand facts and footnotes. An opinion is not worth much today. You must be an "authority" or "expert" in order to be heard. High ideals are too easily surrendered to the lower standards of mass opinion and pressure. Modern methods of communication assault your senses on every side. You are told what soap to buy, what car to own, and what food to eat.

May we give you a solemn charge?

As thinking individuals, rise above the conditions that seek to rob you of your individuality and by so doing prove yourselves worthy citizens of a better world. Your example will be a living testimony that America's schools and their graduates have not failed in their task. You have our confidence and blessing. Good luck.

Clayton A. Friis

## *Dedication*



To our helpful and understanding friend who has rendered every service possible to uphold the spirit of Sheffield High; to one of the most devoted and lovable mothers, we, the Senior Class of 1954 proudly dedicate this edition of "THE SENTINEL PINES" to our very own - -

Mrs. Robert A. Smith

# *Seniors' Farewell*

Time has passed  
The day is here,  
When we must part  
From school so dear.

We the members  
Twelve years ago,  
Were small children  
With years to go.

The time flew on  
We glided fast,  
Not so smooth  
As in the past.

Rocks grow rugged  
But on we climb,  
Gaining knowledge  
For our life time.

School is over?  
No not indeed.  
We must prepare  
Ourselves to lead.

We bid farewell  
Now as we part,  
To all who gave  
Us this fine start.

JoAnn Clark







*Faculty*

# *Faculty*



Back row: Fernand Barrette, Jayne Ryan, Helen Armstrong, Albert Trocchi, Mary Morrison, Anna Percy, Gladys Roraback, Thomas Norton. Front row: Jessie Armstrong, Mina Brewer, John Somes, Clayton Friis, Esther Merritt, Venice Poulous.



Class Advisor

CLAYTON A. FRIIS



*Seniors*

# Senior Class Officers



President, LAURA MALNATI; Vice President, FRANK SMITH; Secretary-Treasurer, MARGARET PREISS; Student Council Representative, WESLEY PETERSEN.

WENDELL REID BARTHOLOMEW

"Wendy"

"Let thy words be few. "

Baseball 1; Class Officer 1; Basketball 2-3; Hall

Monitor 4; Senior Play 4.

*To Linda  
May you always have  
what you want and stay  
as sweet as you are.*

*Love  
Jayce*



HELEN JOYCE BUCKINGHAM

"Joy"

"The world is a wheel and it will all come around right. "

Glee Club 1-2-3-4; Majorette 2-3-4; Softball 1; Play 4; Basketball 2-3-4; Yearbook Staff 4.



CHARLES CANE

"Charlie"

"He gets through too late who goes too fast. "  
Hall Monitor 4.



RICHARD CARTINELLI

"Dick"

"I have often regretted my speech, never my silence. "  
Hall Monitor 4.

JO ANN CLARK

"Jo"

"Nothing can be done at once hastily and prudently. "  
Glee Club 1-4; Majorette 3-4; Basketball 2-3-4;  
Newspaper 4; Senior Play 4.





KENNETH LLOYD COON, JR.

"Kenny"

"To do two things at once is to do neither. "

Baseball 1-2-3-4; Hall Monitor 4.

HERBERT WESLEY EICHSTEDT, JR.

"Herbie" "Herb"

"No man is happy who does not think himself so. "

Play 1; Hall Monitor 4.



*To Linda,  
Good Luck and Lots of  
Love always, "Barb"*

BARBARA ANN HUGGINS

"Bobbie" "Huggie" "Barb"

"A rolling stone gathers no moss. "

Basketball 1-2-3-4; Prom Com. 3-4; Glee Club

1-2-3-4; Senior Play 4; Cheerleader 4; Yearbook 4.

*Lots of Luck.  
Dickie*

RICHARD HUGGINS LEGEYT

"Dickie"

"It is not good that the man should be alone."

Play 4; Student Council 4; Glee Club 4; Hall Monitor 4.



*To Linda -  
Good luck  
and best wishes  
always to a very  
wonderful girl.*

LAURA ANN MALNATI

"Laurie"

*Love,  
Laura*

"The truth is always the strongest argument."

Class Officer 1-2-3-4; Band 1-2-3-4; Orchestra  
1-2-3-4; Softball 1; Glee Club 1-2-3-4; Newspaper  
2-3-4; Student Council 1-2-3-4; Yearbook 4; Senior  
Play 3-4; Prom Com. 3-4.



*To Linda -  
Best of Luck  
Love  
Carol*

CAROLANN MARIE OLSEN

"Carol"

"A smile is the key to success."

Basketball 1-2-3-4; Softball 1-2; Glee Club 1-2-3-4;  
Majorette 1-2-3-4; Cheerleader 1-2-3-4; Newspaper  
4; Class Officer 1; Yearbook 4; Senior Play 4; Prom  
Com. 3-4.





*Best luck to a very fine girl always*  
*"Donny"*

DONALD T. PERCY

"Donny"

"Never promise more than you can perform. "

Hall Monitor 4; Senior Play 4; Yearbook 4.

ALBERT WESLEY PETERSEN

"Wes"

"Sing away sorrow, cast away care. "

Student Council 1-2-3-4; Senior Play 4; Baseball

1-2-3-4; Yearbook 4; Basketball 3-4; Prom Com.

3-4; Class Officer 1-4; Hall Monitor 4.



*To Linda ~*  
*Best wishes always. You're*  
*a fine girl.*  
*Lore, Margaret*

MARGARET PREISS

"Maggie"

"There is nothing either good or bad, but thinking makes it so. "

Class Officer 1-2-3-4; Newspaper 2-3-4; Orchestra

1-2-3-4; Band 1-2-3-4; Student Council 2-3; Year-

book 3-4; Glee Club 1-2-3-4; Play 1-3-4.





FRANK ARCHER SMITH

"Frankie" "Thumper"

"Quarrels would not last long if the fault was only on one side. "

Student Council 1; Yearbook 4; Class Officer 1-4;  
Newspaper 3-4; Baseball 1-2-3-4; Hall Monitor 4;  
Basketball 1-2-3-4.

*Best of luck  
always to Linda  
Alice*

ALICE MARIE STRALEAU

"Al"

"The best prophet of the future is the past. "

Basketball 1-2-3-4; Glee Club 1-2-3-4; Orchestra  
1-2-3-4; Senior Play 4; Newspaper 1-2-3-4; Year-  
book 4.



HORACE RANDALL TATSAPAUGH, JR.

"Tatty"

"Saying is one thing, doing another. "

Senior Play 3-4; Glee Club 4; Student Council 3.

*Lot of Luck  
and Happiness  
always, Linda,  
Horace*

To Linda -  
Best wishes always -  
Dora

DORA MARIE WARREN

"Give the world the best you have, and the best will come back to you."

Band 1-2-3-4; Cheerleader 2-3-4; Orchestra 1-2-3-4;  
Basketball 2; Glee Club 1-2-3-4; Class Officer 2;  
Newspaper 1-2-3-4; Senior Play 4; Yearbook 4.



To Linda -  
Best of Luck Always to a swell  
girl - Love, Sara

SARA JOYCE WOODBECK

"Sally"

"Prove all things; hold fast that which is good."

Basketball 1-2-3-4; Senior Play 3-4; Glee Club  
1-2-3-4; Majorette 3-4; Softball 1; Newspaper 3-4;  
Cheerleader 1-2-3-4; Prom Comm. 3-4; Student  
Council 2-3-4; Yearbook 3-4.

FRANCIS JOSEPH ZUCCO

"Zuc"

"All good things come in small packages."

Basketball 1-2-3-4; Band 1-2; Baseball 2-3-4;  
Orchestra 1; Senior Play 4.



# Graduation Exercises

Processional (Audience Standing)

Invocation - - - - - Rev. Ralph Rawse

"Ave Maria" - Gounod - - - - - Glee Club

Honor Speech - - - - - Laura Malnati

Gold and Silver - Lehar - - - - - -Orchestra

Honor Speech - - - - - Alice Straleau

Address - "Your Part in Making a Peaceful World" - - - - - Thomas H. D. Mahoney  
Professor of History  
Mass. Institute of Technology

"May The Good Lord Bless and Keep You" - - - - - Senior Class

Presentation of P. T. A. Scholarship - - - - - President of P. T. A.

Presentation of Scholastic Awards - - - - - C. A. Friis, Principal

Presentation of Diplomas - - - - - John Somes  
Superintendent of Schools

"Our Father" - A. Malotte - - - - - Glee Club

Benediction - - - - - Rev. Ralph Rawse

Postlude (Audience remain seated)



## *The Best Prophet of the Future is the Past*

Tonight, our thoughts are focused on the future. This is our commencement. We are about to graduate from the shelter of school, where we have spent twelve years, to go out into the world that our education has prepared us to face. In spite of this preparation, many of us are unsure of what we are going to do and wonder what mark we will make for ourselves.

However, our thoughts should not be on the future alone for we ought to look back and consider the past. This past has contributed to our characters and personalities. What we are, we have been made by the influence of parents, teachers and many other factors in our environment. What we have been is an indication of what we are to be. If we were conscientious and thorough as students, we will be likely to carry these traits into adult life.

Not only personal pasts prophesy personal futures, but the past in general, can give us the secret of what the future may hold. History can make us aware of the recurring cycle of war and peace. It is impossible not to note the similarity in different periods of history. The opinion is often stated that our own nation is now in the age which corresponds to that of Augustus, when the Roman Empire was at its height of world leadership. The study of history may find the answers to many questions. These answers may keep us from the inward crumbling and decay which hastened the fall of Rome. Many of today's political institutions and social customs had their roots as far back as ancient Greece and the study of history is necessary for a basic understanding and an appreciation of these things.

As our class motto, we have chosen one quite appropriate to this line of thought linking the past and the future. It is "Today we follow, tomorrow we lead." Graduation makes the today of which we speak become the past. In this past, we followed the courses planned for us by others. We were taught principles and facts for the express purpose of leading society when our turn should come. We studied history to gain the key to tomorrow. We were taught to gain knowledge of the past so we would know how to handle the future.

Now, tomorrow is approaching and we have our task before us. We must use the knowledge we have gathered during our twelve years in school to plan our own course and set an example for others. We are tomorrow's citizens and it is up to us to be the leaders that are needed, not only in government, but in all spheres of everyday living.

In closing, I would like to stress again the importance of considering the past, its relation to the future and necessity of remembering, when we are the leaders, what we have learned from the days when we were followers.

Alice Straleau



## *Our Four Great Faiths*

Parent, Faculty, Classmates, and Friends:

Tonight, we, the Class of 1954, are graduating from Sheffield High School and entering an adult world, perforce to each seek our own way without the former complete dependence upon our teachers and parents. The time has come when we must lead, not follow. To be able to do this we must turn to our Four Great Faiths: Faith in God, Faith in Ourselves, Faith in Our Fellow Man, Faith in Freedom.

Down through the ages, Faith in God has been a powerful force in the lives of men and a source of strength in time of trouble. The great and lasting movements of civilization have been dedicated to, and founded upon, Faith in a Supreme Power. This Faith is woven into the foundation of our nation. It has given us strength when we faltered, courage when we were afraid, united us when we were divided. By looking to God, by dedicating ourselves to His teachings, we can be filled with renewed and strengthened Faith.

The history of our country is that of people who had Faith in Themselves, but in recent years we have lost some of this Faith. We have started looking to the government for the solution of not only community problems, but personal ones as well. As we persist in the dependency upon the government, Faith in Ourselves is gradually weakened, and eventually destroyed.

Faith in Our Fellow Man is the basic Faith for the foundation of brotherhood. We should have brotherly love not only for our own families, but for people of every race, nationality, and country. In this way, perhaps there could be perpetual peace among different nations, and the constant threat of horrid wars, which have crippled so many countries for centuries, would be banished forever. In working to revive the spirit of brotherhood upon which the foundation of our great nation rests, we must renew our Faith in each other and in the inalienable rights of each other, "to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness."

The last of our Four Great Faiths is Faith in Freedom. Ever since civilization began, people have fought and died to promote it. That is why at this very time in our own country our young men and women are in the armed forces. . . so we may have Freedom which, a sacred trust, we must preserve and pass on to our children. It is their birthright. . . ours to hand on to them and they to their children.

Between the America of yesterday and the America of tomorrow stands our generation. To us has fallen the duty to preserve the Faith, the Honor, the Strength and the Glory that is America. To do this, we must have Faith in a God, who answers our prayers. . . Faith in Ourselves and our work. . . Faith in Our Fellow Man, his courage and honesty. . . Faith in Freedom, its strength and meaning. Now is the time to take our stand. Tomorrow may be too late.

Laura Malnati

## Welcome Address

Members of the School Committee, Faculty, Parents, friends, and fellow students of S. H. S. , as President of the Senior Class, it is my honor this evening to welcome you to our Class Night Exercises.

Tonight, we shall present our Class History, Class Prophecy, and other statistics. I hope our program will be one prepared for your full enjoyment and you will feel that you too, are a part of the program.

In closing,, I would also like to thank each and every one of you for helping to make our four years of high school happy and profitable ones. All of us shall forever cherish the memories of these happy years, and in doing so, shall think of you, the individuals who so willingly gave us support, guidance and friendship when they were most needed.

Again I welcome you and bid you good evening. Thank you.

## Class Night Program

Address of Welcome	- - - - - Laura Malnati
"Song of the Angels"	- - - - - -Glee Club
Class History	- - - - - Laura Malnati, Horace Tatsapaugh and Sara Woodbeck
"May the Good Lord Bless and Keep You"	- - - - - Seniors
Class Will	- - - - - -Dora Warren and Alice Straleau
"Washington Post March"	- - - - - Band
Class Prophecy	- - - - - Margaret Preiss and Joyce Buckingham
"Donkey Serenade"	- - - - - -Senior Boys
"High School Cadets"	- - - - - Band
Seniors' Farewell - Poem by JoAnn Clark	- - - - - JoAnn Clark
Class Gifts	- - - - - Carolann Olsen and Barbara Huggins
"Now the Day Is Over"	- - - - - Glee Club
Popular Selections	- - - - - Audience
Senior Celebrities	- - - - - -Francis Zucco, Frank Smith, and Wesley Petersen
Alma Mater (Audience standing)	- - - - - Audience

## *Class Prophecy*

Time: 1964

Place: Wendy's Restaurant, Canaan, Conn.

A young woman is seated at a table in Wendy's Restaurant, (formerly Johnny's) Canaan, Conn. She is drinking a cup of coffee, and looking up, sees an old friend and classmate.

J. B. Well! Margaret Preiss! Imagine seeing you here after all these years! Where have you been keeping yourself?

M. P. Oh, I've been living in Boston since I graduated from secretarial school there. I'm a court reporter, now, so I don't get home as often as I'd like to. How about you? Are you still living in the good old town?

J. B. Well, after graduation, I got a job as secretary to Dr. Brown, in Great Barrington, but as I plan to be married next month, I won't be working there any more.

M. P. That's wonderful. By the way, is Carolann Olsen married, yet?

J. B. Oh, yes. She worked as a telephone operator here in Canaan for a while, but she married her army sweetheart soon after, and now they live in Texas with their two little boys.

M. P. Remember the good times we used to have here, especially after play rehearsals?

J. B. It was fun. I sure miss it. Did you know that Wendell Bartholomew owns this place now?

M. P. Does he really? I wonder if he's around. I'd like to see him.

J. B. I doubt it. He's still a bachelor, and he's probably out looking over some prospects.

M. P. No kidding. I thought some lucky girl would grab him as soon as he got out of high school.

J. B. Guess they didn't have a chance. He kept pretty busy at business school - no time for girls.

M. P. I see.

J. B. Incidentally, have you heard from Laura Malnati, lately?

M.P. Yes. We write to each other frequently. She married a high school boy friend after completing her five-year nursing course in college. I'm looking forward to seeing her as soon as I get some more time off.

J.B. Have you heard what Sara Woodbeck is doing now?

M.P. That last time I heard from her she had taken a position as head nurse of the children's ward at the Pittsfield General Hospital.

J.B. Speaking of nurses, Jo Ann Clark is a child nurse in Springfield. She is very happy there with her three children.

M.P. Whom did she marry?

J.B. She married an up and coming poet. His work is beginning to be published in some of the leading magazines.

M.P. It sounds like he and Jo Ann have a lot in common. Have you heard from Dora Warren and Alice Straleau?

J.B. After they were graduated from BU, Dora went to California to teach music at USC. She is married to a professor of psychology. Alice keeps pretty busy as a mother of two children and as a history teacher at Searles. Barbara Huggins has her hands full, too.

M.P. I understand she is the mother of a pair of twins with red hair.

J.B. They're the cutest things you ever saw. She married a French diplomat and they live in Washington, D.C.

M.P. Do any members of our class still live in Sheffield?

J.B. Charles Cane does. He operates a rest home on Bow-Wow Road. Richard Cartinelli lives in Sheffield, too. He's a photographer. He does all the pictures for Regional's yearbook.

M.P. I saw Francis Zucco yesterday. He told me that he took over Ford's garage when the former owner retired. He said he was thinking of running for town constable.

J.B. That's not surprising, is it?

M.P. No, not at all.

J.B. He and Frank Smith both have thriving businesses. Frank formed a partnership with his brother, Robert.



M. P. That sign across the street says "Kenny's Auto Repair Service." Could that be our classmate, Kenneth Coon?

J. B. Not could be, it is.

M. P. Say, did anyone in our class join the armed services?

J. B. Herbie Eichstedt did, right after graduation. He is a civilian now, though, and he owns a sugar plantation in the Philippines.

M. P. Imagine that! Remember how Horace Tatspaugh always said he wanted to be a bum? You should see him now. He is an electrical engineer in Detroit. He lives there with the home town girl he married, and their four children. Richard LeGeyt lives in New York. He went there to go to an agricultural school, but I guess he changed his mind about being a farmer.

J. B. I know. He is president of the ASPCA.

M. P. I always thought he would be a farmer.

J. B. I did, too. Wesley Petersen is a farmer, though. He married a local girl and is raising quite a family. Up to date he has three girls and two boys.

M. P. Joyce, do you know the whereabouts of Donald Percy?

J. B. Well, Donny is a landscaper. He lives in Virginia with his wife and two little girls.

M. P. The class of '54 traveled far and wide, didn't it?

J. B. I'll say. Well, I've got to be traveling, too.

M. P. It was nice seeing you again and having this little chat.

J. B. Sure was! I'll see you again, Margaret.

M. P. O. K. Good-bye and good luck.



## *Class History*

In September of 1950 the following twenty-eight crew members of the "USS Fifty Four," with their commanding officers, began their voyage across the Sea of Knowledge: Wendell Bartholomew, Donald Bentley, Joyce Buckingham, Charles Cane, Richard Cartinelli, JoAnn Clark, Kenneth Coon, Herbert Eichstedt, Jacquelyn Flynn, Joanne Golden, Barbara Huggins, Richard LeGeyt, Laura Malnati, John Martin, Robert Meyer, Lois Mintz, Carol Ann Olsen, Donald Percy, Wesley Petersen, Margaret Preiss, William Rice, Frank Smith, Alice Straleau, Horace Tatspauagh, Dora Warren, James Welch, Sara Woodbeck, and Francis Zucco.

There to see the crew off was Mrs. Gladys Roraback giving her best wishes for a successful four years at sea.

Those commanding the ship were Captain Howard Hennigar, and his commanding officers, Laurence Healey, Theodore Williams, Miss Ann Provencher, and Nicholas Morace. Also aboard was our Chief Cook, Mrs. Robert Smith.

Shortly after we set sail, one of our crew members, William Rice was called to duty elsewhere.

In March of the following year, Miss Ann Provencher received notice from Captain Hennigar that she was needed on another ship, and Albert Trocchi then came aboard to replace her, adapting himself quickly to our life on the "USS Fifty Four." A few months later the crew was deeply grieved at the loss of our dear commanding officer Theodore Williams. Mrs. Marie Walker then joined us to help with our voyage.

June found us well out to sea and progressing rapidly, when our ship docked at Summer Island for repairs and two months rest.

When we resumed our voyage in September of 1951 we found that Jacquelyn Flynn, and Robert Meyer had transferred to other ships, and Miss Marie Walker and Thomas Norton had taken positions aboard ship that Laurence Healey and Mrs. Marie Walker had formerly occupied.

When we again began our voyage we found that Lois Mintz, Joanne Golden, Donald Bentley, James Welch, and John Martin had remained on Leisure Island. There were also some changes made in our commanding officers: Miss Jayne Ryan replaced Nicholas Morace and Miss Mary Harrahy took the former position held by Miss Marie Walker.

With only twenty crew members aboard we had to work even harder to continue our journey.

At last June came and we again docked for a well needed rest at Vacation Island.

When the original twenty crew members reported back for duty, we were surprised to find our fine Captain, Howard Hennigar, had been transferred to another ship and Clayton Friis is now Captain of the "USS Fifty Four." We also had a new commanding officer, Miss Vernice Poulos; who took the berth left vacant by Miss Mary Harrahy. She proved to be a great help to us.

The last quarter of our voyage was even more difficult, but the crew, anxious to reach their goal, worked even harder.

After a successful four years' journey across the Sea of Knowledge, the "USS Fifty Four" docked at Graduation Island. Those of the crew who successfully completed the trip were: Joyce Buckingham, Wendell Bartholomew, Charles Cane, Richard Cartinelli, JoAnn Clark, Kenneth Coon, Herbert Eichstedt, Barbara Huggins, Richard LeGeyt, Laura Malnati, Carol Ann Olsen, Donald Percy, Wesley Peterson, Margaret Preiss, Frank Smith, Alice Straleau, Horace Tatspaugh, Dora Warren, Sara Woodbeck, and Francis Zucco.

Despite the long, hard voyage, the knowledge and friendship acquired will help us to become better citizens and leaders. The experience of this voyage is sure to benefit us on future voyages and the Motto of the Class of '54, "Today we follow, tomorrow we lead.", will forever be in our minds and hearts.

MOTTO - "Today We Follow, Tomorrow We Lead. "

CLASS COLORS - Maroon and White

CLASS FLOWER - Yellow Rose

CLASS SONG - "May the Good Lord Bless and Keep You"

FAVORITE SPORT - Basketball



"USS FIFTY FOUR"

# *Last Will and Testament*

## PREAMBLE

We, the class of 1954, being positively the worst, noisiest and most insufferable class ever to be graduated from the hallowed halls of Sheffield High School, do declare and ordain this document to be our last will and testament.

## SECTION I

Article 1. To the present Juniors, we will and bequeath the right to be excused from classes under any and all pretenses.

Article 2. To the class of 1956, we will and bequeath the right to have long and heated debates in their class meetings.

Article 3. To the freshmen, we leave the right to stuff the suggestion box with foolish suggestions anytime the idea strikes their fancy.

Article 4. To all future seventh grades, we will and bequeath our old, well-known reputation of being the worst seventh grade ever known at Sheffield High School.

## SECTION II

Article 1. To Mr. Friis, we will and bequeath a carload of chemistry equipment, so it will be possible to do all the chemistry experiments in the Lab. book.

Article 2. To Mr. Norton, we will and bequeath with great pleasure, a plaid suit to match his neckties.

Article 3. To Mr. Trocchi, we will and bequeath a championship basketball team to use as he sees fit.

Article 4. To Mrs. Roraback, we will and bequeath a pair of scissors and a jar of paste for her Junior Red Cross to use.

Article 5. To Miss Ryan, we will and bequeath something old, something new, something borrowed and something blue, we hope she'll be very happy.

Article 6. To Miss Poulos, we will and bequeath a Senior English class that appreciates Shakespeare.

Article 7. To Professor Barrette, we will and bequeath musicians who will always be on time for their classes.

## SECTION III

Article 1. Wendell Bartholomew wills and bequeaths his art of making the most noise and doing less studying than any other student in study hall to Sidney Eichstedt.



Article 2. Joyce Buckingham wills and bequeaths a wad of her best chewing gum to Susan Sande. We're sure Susan will make good use of it.

Article 3. Charles Cane donates his right to be excused early for work everyday to Leno Bernoi.

Article 4. Dick Cartinelli bequeaths his quiet ways to the "Quietest" junior - Joe Hurlburt. He needs it.

Article 5. Alice Straleau gladly wills and bequeaths her cello to any future music student who is fool enough to take it. Don't say you weren't warned!

Article 6. Jo Ann Clark wills and bequeaths her poetic ability to her sister Ruth. Carry on the good work, Ruth.

Article 7. Kenny Coons has agreed to will his privilege to go to the movies every time the picture changes to his brother John.

Article 8. Herbie Eichstedt leaves the affections of his numerous girl friends to any boy who would like feminine company.

Article 9. Barbara Huggins gives up her title of class heartbreaker to Bernice Penziner. You already have a good start, Bernice!

Article 10. Dick LeGeyt wills and bequeaths his unusual ability of breaking all the equipment in the lab. to Jimmy Larkin. Don't go too far, Jim.

Article 11. Laura Malnati proudly wills her ability to make brownies as hard as door-stops to Trudy Conklin. Be careful it might be dangerous.

Article 12. Carolann Olsen wills and bequeaths her love for the Army to anyone who happens to like a soldier. Just as long as they leave Carol's soldier alone.

Article 13. Donny Percy wills and bequeaths his duties as assistant janitor to be used as a detention punishment. Teachers take note.

Article 14. Wesley Petersen wills and bequeaths his job as class chauffeur to Johnny Adams.

Article 15. Margaret Preiss bequeaths her title as Ideal Secretary to Carol Bennett.

Article 16. Frank Smith wills his athletic ability to Steve Macchi. Make good use of it, Stevie.

Article 17. Horace Tatsapaugh imparts his ability to find anything in the Lab. to Timothy Somes. The teachers will need your help.

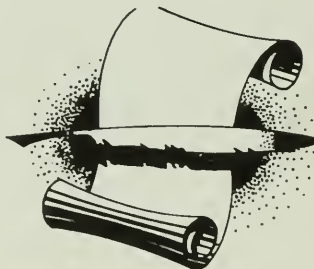
Article 18. Dora Warren wills and bequeaths her musical talent to Juanita Jackson.

Article 19. Sara Woodbeck wills and bequeaths her optimism to any future Student Council secretary. Take Sara's word for it--it's necessary.

Article 20. Francis Zucco generously gives his title of class sleeper to Bill Preston. Maybe this will quiet Bill down!

In accordance with the laws of the town of Sheffield, county of Berkshire, and the state of Massachusetts, the following affix their signatures to this document and in conclusion may we say that we will and bequeath the greatest gift ever willed to Sheffield High School-----WE LEAVE!

Wendell	"I don't know!"	Bartholomew
Joyce	"Got any gum?"	Buckingham
Charles	"I don't care!"	Cane
Richard	"I won't!"	Cartinelli
Jo Ann	"Why?"	Clark
Kenneth	"Shucks!"	Coons
Herbert	"A well's a hole in the ground."	Eichstedt
Barbara	"You're kidding!"	Huggins
Richard	"Oh! Oh! It broke!"	LeGeyt
Laura	"Ooh!"	Malnati
Carolann	"Oh, go on!"	Olsen
Donald	"Watch that stuff!"	Percy
Wesley	"Son of a gun!"	Petersen
Margaret	"Oh, no!"	Preiss
Frank	"You dummy!"	Smith
Alice	"Well, now!"	Straleau
Horace	"Boo!"	Tatsapaugh
Dora	"Oh, great!"	Warren
Sara	"Not again!"	Woodbeck
Francis	"I'm broke!"	Zucco



## *Class Gifts*



To Barbara, so she will never be downhearted, we give this Autograph book, to remember us all long after we've parted.



We give you, Kenny, this movie pass, so if to the show you want to go they'll let you in without any sass.



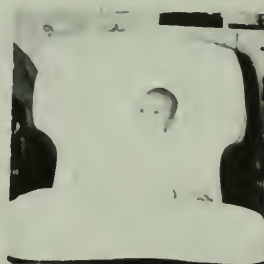
To Horace, our future engineer, we give this little slide rule; so that he may always be correct, when he is off at school.



To Donny, we give this shovel so when he becomes a landscaper, he can dig his way out of trouble.



We give you, Charlie, this rubber stamp, so when you are taking inventory you won't get writers cramp.



To Herbie, who hasn't made up his mind, we give this little red top, so if he spins it he may find, his future to be where it stops.



To Zuc, our casanova, this address book we give, so that all his high school flames may forever in it live.



To Maggie, our secretary to be, we give this little pen, so she can take dictation, for hours without end.



To Joyce, our gum chewer, we give this pack of gum, so she will never be without her chewing gum.



When your beau comes over, Carolann, and you go out on a date, take this little watch we give so you won't get home too late.



To Sara, who plans to be a nurse and soon will be away at college, we give this nurses kit, to help her gain her knowledge.



To Frank, our class athlete, we give this little ball, so he can continue to be, the best of all.



To Dick, our farmer, we give this shiny plow so that he may cultivate some grass, to feed his little cows.





To Wendell, our businessman, we give a little desk, so when he's dictating a letter he will have a good foot-rest.



To JoAnn, our painter, we give this tube of paint, so while she's away learning to teach her little saints, she can "Dabble" with her paints.



To Alice, who a teacher plans to be and strike out on her own, we give this little cat, so she won't be alone.



To Wesley our class chauffeur, we give this little car, so he can continue traveling near and far.



To Laura, our class cook, we give this rolling pin, so when she and hubby have a quarrel, we know she will always win.



To Richard, our sleeper, we give this little bed, so no matter where he goes, he'll always have a place to rest his head.



To Dora, our class musician, we give a Music book, so if she loses some high notes, then in her book, she'll look.

# Senior Class Favorites



DONNY and BARBARA  
Class Baby



LAURA and HORACE  
Class Lover  
Best Dancer



DICK  
Woman-Hater  
Bashful



CAROL and WES  
Flirt  
Giggler  
Most Happy Go Lucky  
Pride and Joy



LAURA and WES  
Class Chauffeur  
Most Popular  
Teacher's Pet



BARBARA and WES  
Cutest  
Heartbreaker



FRANCIS and JOYCE  
Corniest  
Chowhound



LAURA and FRANCIS  
Bossiest



WES, LAURA, and FRANCIS  
Most Talkative



WES and JOYCE  
Gum Chewer  
Class Pest



ALICE and HORACE  
Cleverest



WENDELL and LAURA  
Most Democratic  
Neatest Dressed



SARA and WES  
Best Natured  
Best All Around  
Most Cooperative





WENDELL and ALICE  
Most Likely To Succeed  
Most Studious



LAURA  
Class Cook



JOANN  
Man-Hater  
Poet



SARA and HORACE  
Class Wit



MARGARET  
Ideal Secretary

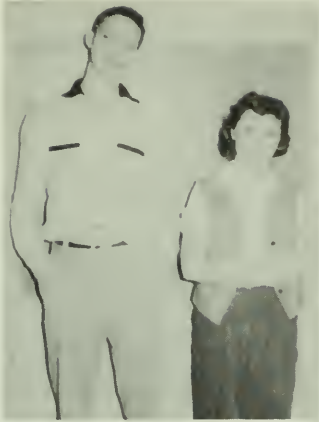


LAURA and DICK  
Pessimist  
Most Independent



LAURA and KENNETH  
Class Moviegoer





CHARLES and JoANN  
Class Dreamer



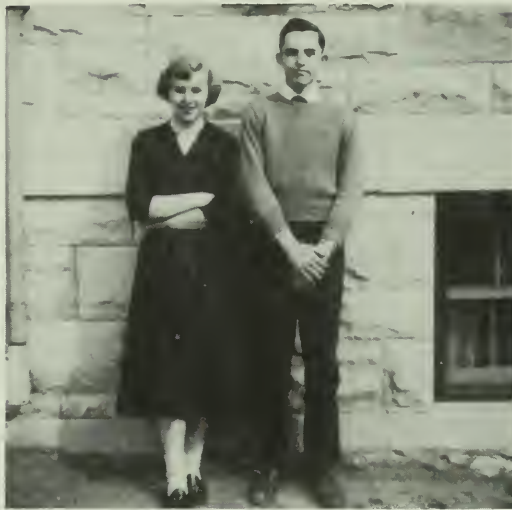
DICK, ALICE and HORACE  
Bookworms



HERBIE  
Class Loafer



LAURA and FRANK  
Done Most For Class



SARA and WENDELL  
Class Optimist



DORA  
Musician



BARBARA and FRANCIS  
Class Sleepers



BARBARA, FRANCIS, CAROL and WES.  
Best Line



MARGARET and FRANK  
Class Blusher



CAROLANN and FRANCIS  
Shortest  
Noisiest  
Most Argumentative



DICK and MARGARET  
Quietest



SARA and FRANK  
Best Athlete



WES, JOYCE and FRANCIS  
Corniest



CHARLES and JOYCE  
Tallest



*Classes*



## 10



Front row: T. Somes, J. Jackson, J. Larkin, R. Clark, F. Bernoi. Middle row: P. Hewins, B. Penziner, R. Somes, C. Bennett, B. Rice, J. Greenleaf. Back row: J. Adams, B. Preston, S. Eichstedt, L. Bernoi, Mr. Norton.





Best of Luck  
Always.  
Dor

Linda,  
Success and  
Happiness  
to a Class mate -  
Beatrice

Linda,  
The best  
in every-  
thing!  
Betty

## Sophomore Class

Good Luck Linda  
Phil  
Best Luck  
Dick



Back row: Fredric Franklin, Russell Funk, Philip Boardman, Philip Ball, Mrs. Roraback. Second row: Carolyn Woodbeck, Betty Gibbs, Barbara Couch, Geraldine Taylor, Doris Mayette. First row: Gertrude Conklin, Steven Macchi, John Goodwill, Beatrice Swan, Richard Howden, Linda Gaylord.

## Freshman Class



Back row: K. Johnson, M. Golden, B. Gardner, D. Handlowich, P. Boardman, E. Holcomb, J. Maynard, Miss Ryan. Second row: S. Cartinelli, S. Sande, Z. Card, S. Preston, J. Cairns, V. Schultz, M. Mackoul. First row: W. Coons, R. Cartinelli, H. Woodbeck, P. Goodwill, S. Tompkins, D. Emprimo, M. Hart.

## *Eighth Grade*



Front row: A. Macchi, L. Gibbs, R. Newton, J. Olsen, R. Pekrul, C. Cartinelli, E. Schneck.  
 Middle row: Mr. Trocchi, M. Johnson, M. French, S. Wells, H. LeGeyt, J. Curtiss, W.  
 Bowers, J. Brazee. Back row: T. Somes, J. Wells, E. Delmolino, B. Handlowich, A. Wilcox,  
 A. Pinkava, L. Coons, R. Hewins.

## *Seventh Grade*



Front row: E. Holcomb, W. Clark, B. Howden, R. Lewis, R. Bernoi, E. Holcomb, J. French,  
 B. Synder. Middle row: Miss Poulos, B. Synder, J. Macchi, R. Jackson, W. Mintz, M. Percy,  
 V. Higgins, D. Preston. Back row: P. Mayette, B. Ensign, P. Eichstedt, M. McCarthy, H.  
 Johnson, S. Harding, B. Cahill, M. Handlowich, L. Coon, A. Lewis, E. Preiss.



# *Athletics*



## Boys' Basketball



Front row: P. Goodwill, P. Ball, D. Emprimo, F. Zucco, J. Adams. Back row: Coach Norton, F. Smith, R. Howden, J. Goodwill, J. Larkin, W. Petersen, S. Macchi, P. Boardman, Managers T. Somes and F. Bernoi.

## Junior Varsity



Front row: J. Macchi, T. Somes, R. Jackson, M. Percy. Back row: Coach Norton, W. Mintz, J. Adams, P. Boardman, E. Delmolino, Managers, T. Somes and F. Bernoi.



# Boys' Basketball

## Season's records

SHS	30	Chester	67
SHS	22	Lenox	67
SHS	44	Alumni	50
SHS	55	Chester	82
SHS	33	Lexington J. V.	37
SHS	36	Lenox	60
SHS	45	Berkshire Ind.	54
SHS	36	Williams	78
SHS	42	New Marlboro	63
SHS	43	Amenia	50
SHS	52	Berk. School J. V.	53
SHS	38	Cornwall Acad.	41
SHS	70	Alumni	18
SHS	39	Williams	63
SHS	28	Berkshire Ind.	61
SHS	49	Cornwall Acad.	30
SHS	45	New Marlboro	27

The boy's varsity won only three games. However, they were all revenge wins over teams that they had previously lost to. In addition, there were six games where SHS lost by less than 10 points.

During Christmas vacation the boys enjoyed a trip to Lexington. They visited Coach Norton and played the Lexington High J. V. 's, losing by only 4 points.

In beating the Alumni 70-18, the varsity rolled up the second highest score in the history of the school, missing the record by two points.

The team will lose, through graduation, the services of Wesley Petersen, Frank Smith and Francis Zucco.

# Junior Varsity

## Season's records

SHS	21	Lenox	20
SHS	26	Chester	38
SHS	29	Berkshire School	15
SHS	34	Berkshire Ind.	33
SHS	37	Berkshire School	33

The past season has been the most successful according to the records. The J. V. 's won four of the five games that they played.

Going into overtime, the J. V. 's posted a win over Lenox, another first to add to their accomplishments, for Lenox had always won in previous competition.

Good Luck  
Always to a well  
Ch. exmate  
Love always  
Barbara

## Girls' Basketball



Front row: B. Penziner, L. Gibbs, J. Olsen, Z. Card, M. Johnson, S. Wells, K. Johnson. Second row: J. Jackson, R. Somes, B. Rice, C. Olsen, B. Huggins, J. Buckingham, B. Swan. Back row: Coach Trocchi, Manager A. Straleau, V. Higgins, E. Gibbs, B. Couch, R. Clark, J. Clark, M. Golden, P. Mayette, B. Cahill, Assistant Manager C. Woodbeck. Absent: S. Woodbeck.

### SEASON'S RECORDS

SHS	20	Lenox	38
SHS	31	Alumni	28
SHS	37	New Marlboro	60
SHS	28	Searles	48
SHS	45	Windsor Mountain	15
SHS	29	Chester	43
SHS	31	Williams	44
SHS	33	Lee	31
SHS	42	Lee	39
SHS	13	Lenox	23
SHS	38	Williams	66
SHS	34	Alumni	31
SHS	cancelled	Windsor Mountain	
SHS	33	Chester	51
SHS	36	New Marlboro	52
SHS	19	Searles	33

The team will lose, through graduation, guards Carol Olsen and Joyce Buckingham, forwards Barbara Huggins and Jo Ann Clark, and Manager Alice Straleau and Sara Woodbeck. Sara took over duties as a manager when she could no longer play on the team.

We wish to thank Mr. Trocchi for all his help and encouragement and wish him luck in seasons to come.



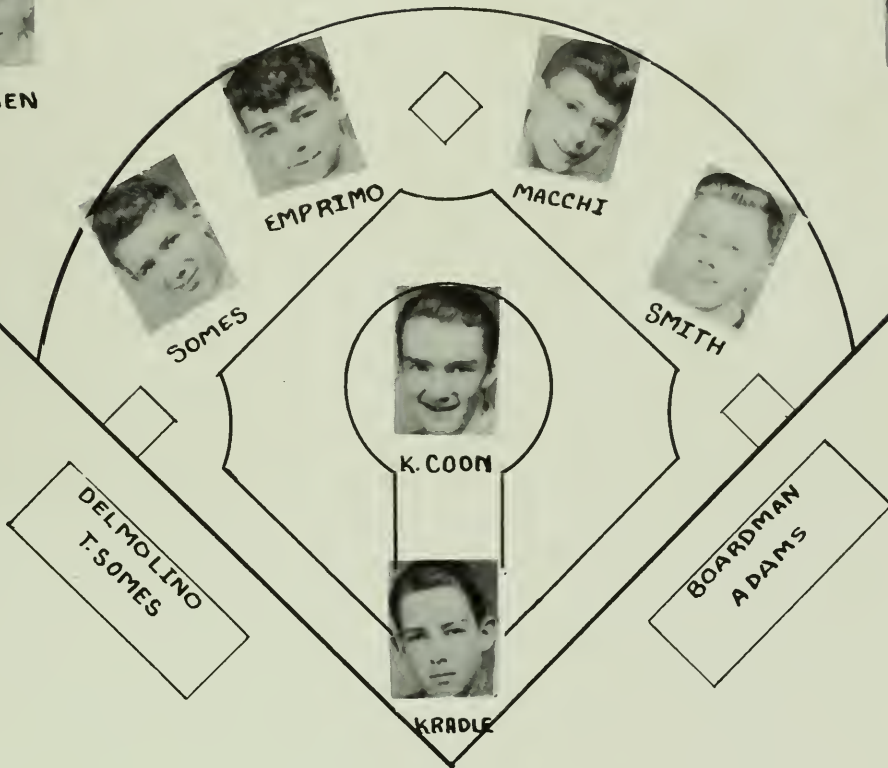
PETERSEN



ZUCCO



J. COON



## Baseball Team

Experience and the excellent coaching of Mr. Trocchi were mainly responsible for the good showing that the Sheffield High School nine made this spring.

The team will lose through graduation, centerfielder Francis Zucco, leftfielder Wesley Petersen, first-baseman Frank Smith and pitcher, Kenneth Coon.

The baseball team wishes to thank the student body for their support of the team and for their attendance at the games.



# Cheerleaders



Top of V: J. Jackson, V. Schultz, S. Preston, H. Woodbeck, S. Sande, S. Woodbeck, C. Olsen, B. Huggins, B. Gibbs, B. Swan, C. Woodbeck. Center: Miss Poulos.

This year, under the direction of their new coach, Miss Poulos; the cheerleaders have shown their exuberant good spirits to the sometimes meagre crowds at SHS basketball games. By graduation this year, the squad regrets the loss of 2 veterans, Carolann Olsen and Sara Woodbeck and 1 newcomer, Barbara Huggins.



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# *Activities*

# Student Council



Left to right: Mr. Friis, Wesley Petersen, Roger Newton, Peter Goodwill, Laura Malnati, Sara Woodbeck, John Goodwill, James Larkin, Juanita Jackson, Beatrice Swan, Richard Le Geyt, Richard Pekrul, Robert Jackson, William Mintz, David Emprimo.

The first meeting of the Student Council was held for the purpose of electing officers. Those elected were:

President - - - - -	Laura Malnati
Vice President - - - - -	Richard Le Geyt
Secretary-Treasurer - - - - -	Sara Woodbeck

On November 6, 1953, several Student Council members, with their advisor, Mr. Friis, attended the Western Massachusetts Association of Student Councils where they learned about the duties and activities of the Student Councils from other schools.

During the year, our Student Council and the New Marlboro Student Council held combined meetings for the purpose of promoting better relationships between the two schools, which proved to be worthwhile.

Our Student Council also sponsored the Freshman Reception, the Christmas Party and the School Picnic, as done in previous years.

Many of the suggestions from the students as to ways of improving our school were discussed and acted upon by the Student Council during the year.

As the student government of S. H. S., the council hopes to be even more effective next year.

## *Junior Red Cross*



Front row: R. Fitch, E. Bradley, A. Hitchcock, Advisor, Mrs. Roraback; B. Poucher, M. Cartinelli. Back row: R. Chapin, R. Goodwill, H. Gilligan, M. McCarthy, E. Schneck, B. Ensign.

The officers for this year are:

President - - - - -	Barde Ensign
Vice President - - - - -	Marjorie McCarthy
Secretary - - - - -	-Anita Hitchcock
Treasurer - - - - -	Elizabeth Schneck

The Junior Red Cross has done quite a bit of work this year. They have made favors for men in hospitals for Thanksgiving and Christmas.

They have also held a Valentine Cookie Sale, a St. Patrick's Day Candy Sale and an Easter Cake Sale. These sales brought in quite a bit of money from the students who bought and enjoyed the delicious homemade goodies.

The Junior Red Cross and Mrs. Roraback, their advisor, should be commended on the way they have lived up to their motto, "I Serve" and by their excellent work record.



## *Band*



Back row: T. Somes, R. Pekrul, M. Preiss, E. Preiss, Professor Barrette, J. Jackson, R. Somes, L. Malnati, T. Somes, B. Preston. Front row: L. Gaylord, T. Ford, W. Bower, J. Olsen, B. Pekrul, D. Warren.

## *Majorettes*



Left to right: Z. Card, J. Clark, C. Woodbeck, R. Clark, J. Buckingham, Miss Ryan, S. Woodbeck, P. Hewins, B. Penziner, J. Olsen, L. Gibbs. Head Majorette, Carol Ann Olsen.



## Orchestra



Front row: G. Conklin, J. Cairns, A. Straleau, T. Ford, L. Malnati, R. Pekrul, L. Gaylord, G. French, D. Warren, W. Preston. Back row: T. Somes, R. Pekrul, M. Preiss, R. Somes, T. Somes, E. Preiss, J. Jackson, Professor Barrette, N. Bowers. Absent: J. Hurlburt.

## Orchestra

Under the direction of Professor Barrette, the orchestra has had a successful season. They have entertained at such events as the P. T. A. Christmas Program, the Annual Spring Concert and Commencement exercises.

## Band and Majorettes

The band and majorettes presented a good showing at the Western Massachusetts Music Festival, the Honor Parade in Canaan, Conn., the Dedication of the new Covered Bridge, the Memorial Day Parade and the Class Night exercises. For the first time our band has played at all the home basketball games with the majorettes assisting. Co-operative bandsmen and high-stepping majorettes have much improved our appearance.



## *Glee Club*



Front row: C. Olsen, B. Huggins, J. Buckingham, S. Woodbeck, J. Jackson, C. Bennett, J. Greenleaf, R. Clark. Second row: D. Warren, A. Straleau, J. Clark, L. Malnati, M. Preiss, R. Somes, B. Penziner, L. Gaylord, T. Conklin. Third row: R. Bernoi, G. Taylor, D. Mayette, B. Swan, E. Gibbs, C. Woodbeck, E. Preiss. Fourth row: W. Mintz, J. Macchi, M. Percy, R. Jackson, D. Preston, B. Howden, J. French, R. Clark. Back row: W. Preston, R. LeGeyt, H. Tatsapaugh, T. Somes, L. Bernoi.

This year there were so many candidates for the Glee Club that Mr. Barrette had to divide it into two groups, in order to make it easier to learn new music.

Two pleasant additions to the music program are the new boys' glee clubs, one is made up of Juniors and Seniors, while the other is composed of Seventh Grade boys.

The Glee Club greatly enjoyed preparing and presenting music for the Christmas musical, the Spring Concert, Class Night and Graduation.



## Senior Play



Front row: H. Tatsapaugh, B. Huggins, W. Petersen, C. Olsen, L. Malnati. Second row: F. Zucco, J. Clark, A. Straleau, M. Preiss, R. LeGeyt. Third row: D. Warren, J. Buckingham, S. Woodbeck, Miss Poulos. Back row: F. Smith, W. Bartholomew, K. Coon, D. Percy.

### "THE DIZZY DILLONS"

On the nights of December 10, 11, and 12, 1953, the Senior Class presented the "Dizzy Dillons" by Barry Heenan. It was an amusing saga of three teenage menaces. Hilarious mix-ups and misunderstandings tended to make the play a big success.

### CAST OF CHARACTERS

June Babcock - - - - -	- LAURA MALNATI
Will Babcock - - - - -	HORACE TATSAPAUGH
Laura Babcock - - - - -	JO ANN CLARK
Joe Babcock - - - - -	FRANCIS ZUCCO
Mrs. Townsend - - - - -	ALICE STRALEAU
Mrs. Wesley - - - - -	SARA WOODBECK
Dora Townsend - - - - -	MARGARET PREISS
Peggy Holden - - - - -	JOYCE BUCKINGHAM
Dolly Dillon - - - - -	CAROLANN OLSEN
Richard Dillon - - - - -	WESLEY PETERSEN
Polly Dillon - - - - -	BARBARA HUGGINS
Charles Townsend - - - - -	RICHARD LeGEYT
Stage Manager - - - - -	FRANK SMITH
Sound Effects - - - - -	KENNETH COON
Prompters - - - - -	WENDELL BARTHOLOMEW
	DONALD PERCY
	DORA WARREN



# *The Pine Cone*



## *Staff*

Left to right: Elizabeth Schneck, Veronica Higgins, Bernice Penziner, Ruth Clark, Jo Ann Clark, Dora Warren, Gertrude Conklin, Virginia Schultz, Margaret Preiss, Linda Gaylord, Laura Malnati, Judy Cairns, Helen Le Geyt, Susan Sande, Carolyn Woodbeck, Zoe Card, Bonny Cahill, Helen Woodbeck, Alice Straleau, Miss Ryan, Frank Smith, Carol Olsen, John Adams, Sara Woodbeck, Pete Goodwill, Shirley Wells, Marjorie McCarthy.



THE PRESS IN ACTION.



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What another letter?



So long!



Straps up!



Buddies



Big Brother



Three Mosquitoes



Studying?



Three Stooges



Ages ago.



Surprise!



Farewell

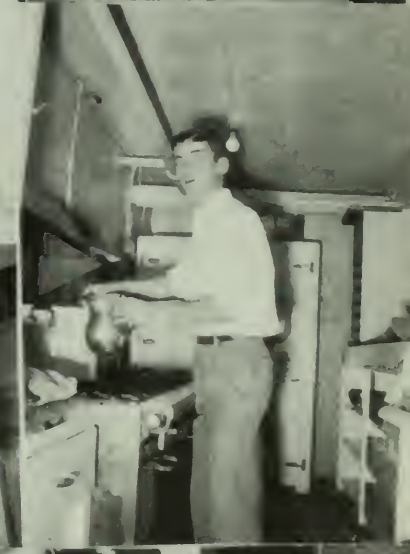


















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